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Fact Sheet: UC Fall 2024 First-Year and Transfer Application Highlights

- UC received 250,436 applications for admission for fall 2024, a 1.5 percent increase from fall 2023 (246,833 applications). This includes 206,893 applications for first-year admission and 43,543 transfer applications. These are unduplicated counts of applications received systemwide at all levels and include both California residents and nonresidents.

- Applications for fall 2024 first-year admission were flat from last year's record total (increasing by 19 applications, or 0.01 percent). California resident applications were up from last year, increasing by 1.2 percent (1,545 applications). Overall, applications from nonresident students decreased: Applications from domestic nonresidents decreased by 3.7 percent (1,680) while international applicants increased slightly (by 0.5 percent or 154 applications).

- Among California first-years, applications from underrepresented groups increased as a proportion of the applicant pool to 47.1 percent this year compared with 46.4 percent last year. Applications from African American students rose 6.3 percent from last year (+537), Hispanic/Latino(a) applications rose by 2.2 percent (+1,156), and applications from American Indian students rose by 1.7 percent (+14). Applications from Pacific Islander students decreased by 5.0 percent (-21).

- Applications from Asian students were relatively flat (+0.1 percent, 47 applications) and those from white students decreased, by 3.1 percent (-830).

- Transfer applications increased 9.0 percent from last year (3,584 more applications). Applications from domestic California Community College students increased by 8.0 percent, from 30,088 last year to 32,483 this year.

- The proportion of domestic California Community College transfer applicants from underrepresented groups increased by 1.0 percentage point to comprise 40.1 percent of the applicant pool, from 39.1 percent last year. This is a 10.6 percent increase over last year (+1,253 applications).

- Hispanic/Latino(a) students make up the largest proportion of the pools of California first-year and California Community College applicants: 39.4 percent of California first-years and 32.5 percent of domestic community college transfers.

- The share of California first-year applicants who are first-generation college students remained flat at 43.2 percent, and those with low family income increased from 39.9 percent of applicants last year to 40.3 percent this year.

- The UC application for undergraduate admission opened on August 1, 2023 and closed on December 1, 2023.

- Seven campuses (Davis, Irvine, Merced, Riverside, San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Santa Cruz) accepted transfer applications through January 15, 2024. The Merced campus also remained open to first-year applicants through that date.

- The university's review of first-year applications began in October 2023, with offers of admission going out through March 2024. The transfer application review began in November 2023, and UC admission offers will be made through April 2024.

Notes: The 2024 systemwide totals used above and in the attached tables are preliminary as of January 16, 2024 whereas previous year totals are final. Totals are also "unduplicated," meaning that each student is counted only once, even if they applied to multiple campuses. As a result, the systemwide totals are not the sum of the individual campus counts.